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## Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America's 2020 Nebula Conference

## THREE DAYS OF ONLINE VIDEO PANELS WITH REAL-TIME INTERACTION MAY 29 – 31

**The SFWA Nebula Conference** -- the premier professional development conference for science fiction and fantasy writers -- is transforming into an entirely virtual conference this year, presented live and in interactive form from May 29th-31st. The innovative program will convey the essence of the in-person Nebula Conference, albeit in an all-online format due to the COVID-19 pandemic. "The vision is for attendees to feel elevated through the content, enjoy a sense of community with their peers, and have an opportunity for celebration," said Mary Robbinette Kowal, SFWA President.

This year's transformed Nebula Conference will include two live tracks of live-streamed panels and a third selfguided track of pre-recorded presentations which attendees can view at their leisure. The Nebula Conference will also include, solo presentations, conference mentorships, workshops, writing forums, chats, and virtual room parties (including a dance party hosted by John Scalzi). A portion of funds raised by the conference will go to SFWA's "Where The Need Is Greatest" fund, to assist SFWA members financially affected by COVID-19.

And, of course, the Nebula Awards ceremony will be streamed live to conference attendees and the public alike at 8 pm Eastern on May 30th.

Please visit <u>https://events.sfwa.org/events/</u> for the latest schedule and event details.

## About the Nebulas

<u>The Nebula Awards</u>® are voted on, and presented by, full members of Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America, Inc. Founded as the Science Fiction Writers of America in 1965 by Damon Knight, the organization began with a charter membership of 78 writers; it now has over 1,500 members, among them many of the leading writers of science fiction and fantasy.

Since 1965, the Nebula Awards® have been given each year for the best novel, novella, novelette, and short story <u>eligible</u> for that year's award. The Ray Bradbury Nebula Award for Outstanding Dramatic Presentation was added in 2009, followed by the Andre Norton Nebula Award for Middle Grade and Young Adult Fiction in 2005, and the Nebula Award for Best Game Writing in 2018. An anthology including the winning pieces of short fiction and several runners-up is also published every year.